June 10, 2011

The Glastonbury Town Council 2155 Main Street Glastonbury, CT 06033

Re: Town Manager's Report

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up-to-date on various topics.

#### 1. CIRMA Risk Management Award:

I am pleased to advise Glastonbury was formally recognized with a Risk Management Achievement Award as part of the annual meeting of the Connecticut Inter-local Risk Management Association. Glastonbury was recognized for Sustained Risk Management Efforts achieving average claims severity/costs, 20% less than the CIRMA average for 10 years by implementing risk management strategies and best practices. I was asked to present Glastonbury's success story as part of the annual meeting last month. Congratulations to all for this important achievement.

#### 2. Putnam Bridge:

A reminder of the public information hearing scheduled by ConnDOT for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at the RCC. This will present details of the major renovations to the Putnam Bridge planned for the next several years.

#### 3. Town Wide Tag Sale:

The annual Town-Wide Tag Sale was held on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. The event generated over \$2,000 in revenue from lease of booth space, sale of surplus Town equipment and concessions. A nice job by all.

## 4. <u>Clean Energy:</u>

Per the attached, Glastonbury's participation in the Community Clean Energy Program generated a combined 1674 MWh in clean renewable electricity through national wind power generation. This is part of the Town's continuing efforts to support clean energy initiatives.

Overall community participation has earned 3 additional solar panels to be installed at GHS to supplement the 4 now in place and providing solar generated power to the high school.

### 5. Don't Block the Box:

Connecticut General Statutes allow communities to enact legislation to prevent motor vehicles from obstructing certain intersections. This was briefly referenced when discussing the Griswold Street pavement rehabilitation project. I have attached a copy of the State enabling legislation and the outline of a draft ordinance with specific intersections identified. Additional information or a specific proposal can be presented as may be requested.

# 6. <u>Hartford Magazine:</u>

Hartford Magazine recently published its "Rating the Towns" issue. Glastonbury was recognized as the #1 community in the Large Town population 30,000+ category. As shown on the attached page, Glastonbury's score for education and quality of life was best in category. Congratulations to all for this well deserved recognition.

### 7. J.B. Williams Pavilion:

Work on the new pavilion at J.B. Williams Park is complete and looks great. The new structure replaces the previous pavilion which collapsed under snow load this past winter.

I will be happy to review the preceding and any other items Tuesday evening.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Johnson Town Manager